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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 11 January 2008.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 4, 7-13, 15 and 16 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 4, 7-13 and 15-16 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Argument

Applicant's arguments filed on January 11, 2008 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

Applicant arguments regarding claims 7 and 11 on page 6 of the remark are contradicted with the claimed limitation. Therefore the examiner respectively disagrees since Yuen adequately provides support for the claimed limitation include the new added limitation as cited below.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 4, 7-13 and 15-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Yuen et al (US 5488409).

Regarding Claim 4: Yuen et al. discloses a method of claim 7, further comprising: deal locating at least some of the addresses from the index (**column 13 lines 20-33**).

Regarding Claim 7: Yuen et al. discloses a method of recording a data, comprising: providing a memory; using an index to store different addresses of the memory for each of a plurality of sequential frames of the data recorded (**columns 12-13, lines 52-6**); retrieving at a least a portion of the data by accessing the memory addresses from the index (**columns 12-13, lines 52-6**); looping the data on the memory by overwriting a

portion of the memory (**column 59 lines 51-67**); and providing a loop remnant directory to determine a changing deallocation point (**column 59 lines 51-67**).

Regarding Claim 8: Yuen et al. discloses a method of recording of claim 7, wherein the index identifies individual ones of the plurality of frames using at least one of frame number, time, and date (**column 14 lines 1-17**).

Regarding Claim 9: Yuen et al. discloses a method of recording of claim 7, wherein the different addresses are start addresses (**column 13 lines 1-6**).

Regarding Claim 10: Yuen et al. discloses a method of recording of claim 7, further comprising storing individual ones of the plurality of sequential frames in a digital format (**column 13 lines 44-53**).

Regarding Claim 11: Yuen et al. discloses a method of recording of claim 7, wherein the index comprises a table (**column 17 table II**).

Regarding Claim 12: Yuen et al. discloses a method of recording of claim 7, further comprising using the index to identify addresses that can be overwritten (**column 59 lines 51-67**).

Regarding Claim 13: Yuen et al. discloses a method of recording of claim 7, further comprising overwriting a portion of the memory used to store an earlier one of the plurality of sequential frames with a later one of the plurality of sequential frames, and recording corresponding information in the index (**column 59 lines 51-67**).

Regarding Claims 15-16: Claims 15-16 are rejected for the same subject matter as claim 7.

Conclusion

THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to DANIEL TEKLE whose telephone number is (571)270-1117. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:30am to 5:00pm M-R and 7:30-4:00 Every other Friday..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Marsha D. Banks-Harold can be reached on 571-272-7905. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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